

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1 - 18 (Cancelled).

19. (Currently Amended) A liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition comprising, in a cosmetically acceptable aqueous medium:

- (A) a washing base and
- (B) at least one liquid ester chosen from esters of formula (I):

R_1COOR_2 (I)

wherein:

- R_1 is chosen from a-branched (C_3-C_5) hydrocarbon-based groups, a-monohydroxylated branched (C_3-C_5) hydrocarbon-based groups, and a-polyhydroxylated branched (C_3-C_5) hydrocarbon-based groups, and
- R_2 is chosen from a-linear ($C_{12}-C_{26}$) hydrocarbon-based groups, a-branched ($C_{12}-C_{26}$) hydrocarbon-based groups, a-monohydroxylated linear ($C_{12}-C_{26}$) hydrocarbon-based groups, a-monohydroxylated branched ($C_{12}-C_{26}$) hydrocarbon-based groups, a-polyhydroxylated linear ($C_{12}-C_{26}$) hydrocarbon-based groups, and a-polyhydroxylated branched ($C_{12}-C_{26}$) hydrocarbon-based groups.

20. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of a composition according to claim 19, wherein said R_1 is chosen from a-branched (C_3-C_5) alkyl groups, a-monohydroxylated branched (C_3-C_5) alkyl groups, and

a-polyhydroxylated branched (C₃-C₅) alkyl groups, and said R₂ is chosen from a-linear (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups, a-branched (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups, a-monohydroxylated linear (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups, a-monohydroxylated branched (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups, a-polyhydroxylated linear (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups, and a-polyhydroxylated branched (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups.

21. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 20, wherein said R₂ is chosen from a branched (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups, a-monohydroxylated branched (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups, and a-polyhydroxylated branched (C₁₂-C₂₆) alkyl groups.

22. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 19, wherein said R₁ is a tertbutyl group.

23. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 19, wherein said R₂ is chosen from a tridecyl group, an isocetyl group, an isostearyl group, an octyldodecyl group, and an isoarachidyl group.

Claims 24 - 30. (Canceled).

31. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 19, wherein said at least one liquid

ester is present in an amount ranging from 0.1% to 20% relative to the total weight of the composition.

32. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 31, wherein said at least one liquid ester is present in an amount ranging from 0.2% to 10% relative to the total weight of the composition.

33. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 19, further comprising at least one adjuvant chosen from cationic surfactants, anionic polymers, nonionic polymers, cationic polymers, amphoteric polymers, proteins, ceramides, pseudoceramides, silicones, plant oils, synthetic oils, hydroxy acids, vitamins, and panthenol.

34. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 33, wherein said cationic polymers are chosen from quaternary cellulose ether derivatives, diallyldimethylammonium salt homopolymers, copolymers of diallyldimethylammonium salt and of acrylamide, and cationic polysaccharides.

35. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 33, wherein said at least one adjuvant is present in an amount ranging from 0.001% to 10% by weight relative to the total

weight of the composition, when said at least one adjuvant is chosen from said cationic polymers.

36. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 35, wherein said at least one adjuvant is present in an amount ranging from 0.005% to 5% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition, when said at least one adjuvant is chosen from said cationic polymers.

37. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 36, wherein said at least one adjuvant is present in an amount ranging from 0.01% to 3% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition, when said at least one adjuvant is chosen from said cationic polymers.

38. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 19, wherein said washing base comprises at least one surfactant chosen from anionic surfactants, amphoteric surfactants, and nonionic surfactants.

39. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 19, wherein said washing base is

present in an amount ranging from 4% to 50% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.

40. (Currently Amended) The liquid detergent and conditioning cosmetic hair composition of A composition according to claim 39, wherein said washing base is
present in an amount ranging from 8% to 25% by weight relative to the total weight of the composition.